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In the Drawings:

In Figures 3 and 4, please delete reference numerals 26 as shown.

In the Specification:*Kindly replace paragraph 4 on page 1 with the following paragraph.*

A1 [0004] However, this kind of state of the art profiles usually has two major disadvantages. The bending strength, which is important especially in case of a crash, is not as strong relative to other profiles which are more complicated and more expensive to manufacture. The other disadvantage is that the attachment of other sections becomes difficult.

Kindly replace paragraph 11 on page 2 with the following paragraph.

A2 [0011] These and other objects are achieved by a profile according to ³ and a body section according to the present invention (claim 11) which makes it possible to achieve a high bending stiffness with extremely low gauge thickness.

Kindly replace paragraph 19 on page 3 with the following paragraph.

A3 [0019] The manufacturing process can typically be chosen from a variety of alternatives well known by one skilled in the art, of which the following alternatives are considered suitable. The metal profile according to an embodiment of the invention consists of an extruded profile. Alternatively the metal profile is formed from one piece of a metal sheet. Particularly the alternative of being able to form a metal profile according to the invention from one piece of metal with a suitable thickness provides a great advantage in the manufacturing process. A further advantage is that the shape of the final profile allows the profile members to be welded together easily due to the fact that the attaching members are easy to reach and work with.

Kindly replace paragraph 23 on page 3 with the following paragraph.

A4 [0023] By using the profile according to the present invention in a body section of a

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vehicle, strength advantages in assembling the vehicle structure and other advantages listed above are provided. Especially a body section according to the invention having at least one flange will provide advantages to the assembling process and robustness to the structure and to the structure attached members.

Kindly replace paragraph 37 on page 5 with the following paragraph.

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[0037] The embodiment of the invention, which will be described in the following, is related to metal profiles for a vehicle.

Kindly replace paragraph 46 on page 6 with the following paragraph.

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[0046] Referring to fig 3 a metal profile 1 according to the invention that is provided with stiffener means 13 is shown. Preferably at least one of said support walls 2a, 2b of said internal section are provided with stiffener means 13. The stiffness is provided by e.g. adding stiffener means such as verticals, reinforcements for hobbing of the support walls 2a, 2b, adding thickness to the supportive walls 2a, 2b or any other related means to provide stiffness. This will further increase the stiffness of the metal profile 1 of the present invention.

Kindly replace paragraph 47 on page 6 with the following paragraph.

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[0047] Referring now to Fig 4 showing a section of a preferred embodiment of the body section 20 according to the invention. A second profile 25 is attached to said metal profile 1 in a first attachment supported by a flange 3 of said metal profile 1. The second profile 25 has one further attachment to said metal profile 1 on a distance from the first attachment in transversal direction relative said metal profile 1 and said second profile 25.